## APPARATUS USING A LENGTHENED EQUALIZATION TARGET FILTER WITH A MATCHED FILTER METRIC IN A VITERBI DETECTOR

## **ABSTRACT**

An apparatus that uses a lengthened equalization target filter with a matched filter metric in a Viterbi detector is disclosed. The equalization target includes a base partial response component, i.e., (1-D<sup>2</sup>), a fractional coefficient polynomial component to whiten the noise, i.e., (1+p<sub>1</sub>D+p<sub>2</sub>D<sup>2</sup>), and a time-reversed replica of the noise-whitening component. Thus, the time-reversed replica of the noise-whitening component comes

from what was formerly a matched filter component.